

Issues for the Small Group Meeting on June 16, 2014

I. Groundwater Concerns

As we move forward on the groundwater monitoring plan, there are several issues that still need to be addressed. These issues include:

- Sampling logistics and timing
- Splitting of samples with the City
- Future Groundwater Group meetings
- Data Evaluation and Assessment

II. Emerging/Existing Technology Issues

City staff have been working on helping to address Mayor Hopewell's questions on emerging technology. In seeking information on this, an EPA document under the general topic "Engineering Issues" was discovered. The specific title and reference is: "Technology Alternatives for the Remediation of PCB Contaminated Soils and Sediments", EPA/600/S-13/079. This document outlines several locations where chemical treatment of PCB-contaminated soils has been successfully conducted. As we move forward in evaluating the Allied Landfill OU-1, these options need to be more thoroughly explored, reviewed and discussed.

III. Public Involvement/Participation

The ongoing discussions between the USEPA, MDEQ and the City of Kalamazoo has been a very beneficial and productive. As we arrive at possible hybrid solutions for the Allied Landfill OU-1, public outreach and involvement will be necessary to ensure the success of these efforts. Several concerns and issues remain, however, that need to be discussed and resolved. These concerns and issues include:

- Definition of roles and responsibilities within the public involvement/participation process is needed and would be helpful as we move forward.
- How and when will the groundwater data results and assessment be presented? Will there be City involvement and participation in assessing the groundwater data prior to releasing the information to the public?
- It would be helpful to begin discussing the logistics of presenting the various hybrid options to the public. These discussions should include the timing of when the preferred option is presented, input and discussion by the small group prior to the final remedy selection, and who will be addressing questions and concerns related to issues and concerns presented by the public.

IV. General Questions and Issues

There are several general concerns that would be helpful to address at this stage of the process. These include:

- When will the options/drawings being prepared by CH2MHill be ready for review and discussion by the small group prior to the August 4 meeting?
- Overall presentation at the August 4 meeting will need to be developed and refined. Specifically, what format(s) will be used to discuss options as well as how best to present various options that some small group members may not consider viable?
- What effect does the current lawsuit brought by Georgia Pacific (see *Georgia Pacific Consumers Products LP, Fort James Corp., and Georgia Pacific LLC v. NCR Corporation, international Paper Co., and Weyerhaeuser Co.*) have on the Allied Landfill OU-1 site? Is there the potential for more funds to be available for cleanup of OU-1 as a result of this lawsuit and, if so, how could this impact remedy selection for the site? (This may be a discussion for the subset of attorneys we have discussed meeting with prior to the August 4 meeting.)
- Work on developing a set of questions for the larger group meeting on August 4 and have them distributed prior to the meeting to assist discussions during the meeting. One such question should be: what potential sources of funding may be available if the preferred remedy is estimated to exceed the current bankruptcy trust corpus?